

Largest Employers in Taylor County

These employers provide nearly
3 in every 4 jobs in the county

Employer name

Weather Shield Mfg Inc
Kraft Pizza Company
Marathon Cheese Corp
Memorial Health Center Inc
Medford Public School District
Hurd Windows & Doors Inc
Phillips Plastics Corp
County of Taylor
Adecco USA Inc
Medford Coop Inc
Great Northern Cabinetry Inc
School District of Gilman
J Bauer Trucking Inc
Mid-Wisconsin Bank
Kmart Corporation
Rib Lake Health Care Center
Prochnow Transport Inc
School District of Rib Lake
B & B Engineering Corp
Wildberg Enterprises Inc
James Peterson Sons Inc
Slap Inc - McDonald's
City of Medford-Taylor County
Wadal Plastics Inc
Drangle Foods Inc
The Copps Corp
Enerquip Inc
Zastrow Care Center Inc
Black River Industries Inc
Maple Island Inc
Centennial Community Center Inc
Medford Cafe Inc
Camp 28 of Rib Lake Inc
Cougar Enterprises Inc - Hardee's
John S Olynick Inc

Product or Service

Wood window & door mfg.
Frozen specialty food mfg.
Dairy product merchant whslrs
Off. of physicians, except mental health
Elementary & secondary schools
Wood window & door mfg.
All other plastics product mfg.
Executive & legislative offices, combined
Temporary help services
Gasoline stations w/convenience stores
Wood kitchen cabinet/countertop mfg.
Elementary & secondary schools
Gen.frght trucking, long-dist, not a trckld
Commercial banking
Discount department stores
Nursing care facilities
Gen.freight trucking, long-dist, truckload
Elementary & secondary schools
Other millwork, including flooring
Janitorial services
Highway, street, & bridge construction
Limited-service restaurants
Executive & legislative offices, combined
All other plastics product mfg.
Cheese mfg.
Supermarkets & other grocery stores
Power boiler & heat exchanger mfg.
Nursing care facilities
Vocational rehabilitation services
Dry, condensed, & evap. dairy products
Lessors of nonresidential buildings
Full-service restaurants
Full-service restaurants
Limited-service restaurants
Construction sand & gravel mining

Source: WI DWD, Unemployment Compensation file, June 2004

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Job Centers in Northwest Wisconsin

WI Job Center-Ashland
411 Ellis Av
Ashland WI 54806
715-682-7220

Burnett Co Job Center
7410 Co. Rd. K #280
Siren WI 54872
715-349-2150

WI Job Center-Hayward
15618 Windrose Lane
Hayward WI 54843
715-634-7545

WI Job Center-Ladysmith
108 W Second St. N.
Ladysmith WI 54848
715-532-2700

WI Job Center-Medford
624 E College Av
Medford WI 54451
715-748-5621

WI Job Center-Phillips
1408 Pine Ridge Rd.
Phillips WI 54555
715-339-7255

Park Falls Partner Off.
400 S 4th Av
Park Falls WI 54552
715-762-2477

WI Job Center-Spooner
522 Service Rd Hwy 70 E
Spooner WI 54801
715-635-2175

WI Job Center-Superior
1805 North 14th St.
Superior WI 54880
715-392-7800

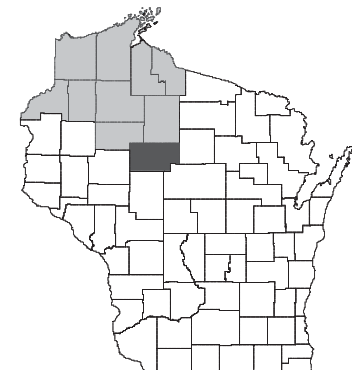
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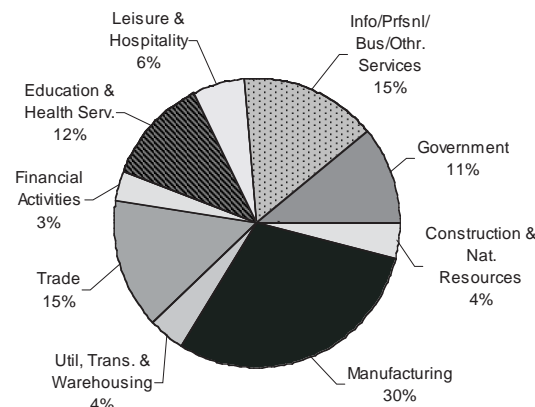


Taylor County...

is one of ten counties in the Northwest Wisconsin Workforce Development Area. In 2004 the average annual unemployment rate was 5.8 percent, an improvement from the 6.3 percent unemployed in 2003 but still higher than the annual Wisconsin unemployment rate of 4.9 percent in 2004.

The county has one of the highest concentrations of manufacturing jobs in the state and many of the county's largest employers (on back) are manufacturers. Roughly 30 percent of the jobs in the county are with manufacturing employers and over half are related to wood products but another 25 percent are related to food products.

2004 Employment by Industry in Taylor County



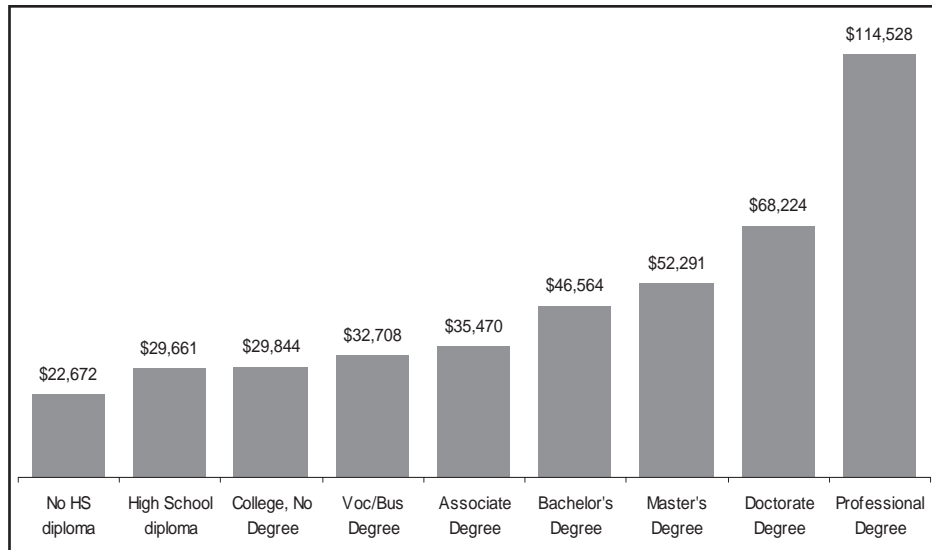
The list of largest occupations also includes many that are related to production and assembly and the list of largest employers includes 12 manufacturers. Two-thirds of the jobs, however, are in other industry sectors where average weekly wages in 2004 were less than the manufacturing weekly average wage of \$616. That's much higher than the average weekly wage from all employers was \$530 and was 76 percent of the average for all workers in the state of \$695.

	Top Ten Occupations	Typical Education or Training Path*	Average Wage**
Fastest Growth	Home Health Aides	1-month or less training	\$9.17
	Personal and Home Care Aides	1-month or less training	\$8.45
	Social/Human Service Assistants	1-12 mo. on-the-job training	\$13.06
	Registered Nurses	Bachelor's or Assoc. degree	\$21.38
	Preschool Teachers/Ex. Special Ed	Bachelor's degree	\$15.37
	Electricians	12 mo. or more on-the-job trng.	\$17.18
	Receptionists/Info Clerks	1-month or less training	\$9.81
	Bus Drivers/School	1-month or less training	\$11.15
	Child Care Workers	1-month or less training	\$8.96
	Counter and Rental Clerks	1-month or less training	\$8.81
Most Openings	Cashiers	1-month or less training	\$7.47
	Waiters/Waitresses	1-month or less training	\$7.34
	Retail Salespersons	1-month or less training	\$8.90
	Truck Drivers/Heavy/Tractor-Trailer	1-12 mo. on-the-job training	\$17.10
	Comb Food Prep/Serv Wrk/Incl Fast Fd	1-month or less training	\$6.60
	Nursing Aides/Orderlies/Attendants	1-month or less training	\$10.17
	Registered Nurses	Bachelor's or Assoc. degree	\$21.38
	Bartenders	1-month or less training	\$7.82
	Carpenters	12 mo. or more on-the-job trng.	\$16.53
	Office Clerks/General	1-month or less training	\$9.69

* The most common way to enter the occupation, not the only way

** Wages from Occupation Employment Statistics survey responses for region, 2002

**2003 Wisconsin Average Annual Earnings by Degree
for Population Aged 25 years and over**



Source: 2003 PUMS from ACS, US Census Bureau

These 40 occupations provide over half the jobs to workers in the labor market area that includes Barron, Burnett, Clark, Rusk and Taylor counties¹.

Hourly wages are from survey information gathered from local employers in 2004. The list includes many production occupations to fill the vacancies with the many manufacturing facilities in the area.

Occupation title	Lowest 10% wages*	Hourly average	Mid-range**
Cashiers	\$5.74	\$7.67	\$6.33 - \$8.71
Team Assemblers	\$7.65	\$11.99	\$9.37 - \$14.92
Retail Salespersons	\$5.96	\$9.55	\$6.69 - \$10.27
Truck Drivers, Heavy & Tractor-Trailer	\$10.96	\$15.73	\$12.60 - \$19.16
Laborers & Freight, Stock, & Material Movers, Hand	\$6.24	\$9.75	\$7.62 - \$11.09
Combined Food Prep. & Serving Wrkr, Inclg Fast Food	\$5.59	\$6.68	\$5.94 - \$7.25
Packaging & Filling Mach. Opr-Tenders	\$8.85	\$12.76	\$9.95 - \$15.62
Bookkeeping, Accounting, & Auditing Clerks	\$9.24	\$11.45	\$9.86 - \$12.53
Elementary School Teachers, Except Special Ed.	\$25,364	\$41,027	\$34,510 - 49,280 [#]
Janitors & Cleaners, Except Maids & Housekeeping Cleaners	\$6.43	\$9.73	\$7.77 - \$11.41
Teacher Assistants	\$14,546	\$18,847	\$16,295 - 21,261 [#]
Packers & Packagers, Hand	\$6.09	\$9.21	\$7.36 - \$10.64
Nursing Aides, Orderlies, & Attendants	\$7.99	\$10.27	\$9.14 - \$11.65
Office Clerks, General	\$6.65	\$10.24	\$8.36 - \$12.19
Secretaries, Except Legal, Medical, & Executive	\$8.26	\$11.11	\$9.51 - \$12.80
Registered Nurses	\$18.21	\$22.82	\$19.82 - \$25.79
1st-Line Sprvr/Mngrs. of Production & Operating Wrkr	\$12.53	\$20.47	\$15.03 - \$25.02
Stock Clerks & Order Fillers	\$6.26	\$9.47	\$7.58 - \$11.14
Waiters & Waitresses	\$5.71	\$8.86	\$6.28 - \$10.37
Personal & Home Care Aides	\$6.88	\$8.50	\$7.52 - \$9.73
Carpenters	\$10.94	\$15.16	\$12.44 - \$17.52
Maintenance & Repair Wrkr, General	\$10.73	\$14.41	\$12.12 - \$16.66
Bus Drivers, School	\$6.54	\$10.29	\$9.18 - \$10.99
Helpers--Production Wrkr	\$8.27	\$11.53	\$9.69 - \$13.25
1st-Line Sprvr/Mngrs. of Retail Sales Wrkr	\$10.24	\$15.59	\$12.14 - \$17.39
Receptionists & Information Clerks	\$7.38	\$11.14	\$9.20 - \$13.27
Wdwrkg Mach Setters, Operators, & Tenders, Except Sawing	\$10.55	\$13.82	\$12.70 - \$15.63
Customer Service Representatives	\$8.00	\$11.97	\$9.72 - \$13.65
General & Operations Mngrs.	\$18.45	\$38.10	\$24.31 - \$47.56
Middle School Teachers, Except Special & Vocational Ed.	\$22,322	\$38,152	\$30,612 - 45,953 [#]
Sales Reps, Whsl. & Mfg, Except Tech & Scientific Products	\$11.57	\$20.68	\$14.20 - \$23.22
Production Wrkr, All Other	\$8.54	\$12.95	\$10.20 - \$15.63
Industrial Truck & Tractor Operators	\$9.49	\$12.84	\$10.83 - \$14.87
Dental Hygienists	\$23.34	\$25.36	\$24.27 - \$27.36
Food Preparation Wrkr	\$6.35	\$8.69	\$7.39 - \$10.07
Welders, Cutters, Solderers, & Brazers	\$10.14	\$13.88	\$11.73 - \$16.13
Emergency Medical Technicians & Paramedics	\$7.94	\$10.92	\$9.23 - \$12.52
Executive Secretaries & Admin. Assistants	\$9.94	\$13.92	\$11.20 - \$15.99
Molding/Coremaking/Casting Mach. Setr/Opr/Tndr, Mtl/-Plst	\$8.70	\$11.18	\$9.42 - \$12.85
Operating Engineers & Other Construction Equip Operators	\$13.89	\$17.89	\$15.04 - \$20.72

* 10% of wages are lower

**Middle 50% of wages

only annual wages available

¹ A group of counties that shares similar employment and wages combined to meet a threshold to publish wage data.